

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON, D.C.

Issued by the Department of Transportation on September 7, 2000

NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN -- DOCKET OST-2000-7896

This serves as notice to the public of the action described below, taken by the Department official indicated (no additional confirming order will be issued in this matter).

Applicant: **Air Comet S.A.** Date Filed: September 5, 2000

Relief requested: Exemption from 49 U.S.C. § 41301 to engage in scheduled foreign air transportation of persons,

property and mail between Spain and New York, New York.

If renewal, date and citation of last action: New authority Applicant representative: John N. Romans (212) 797-1900

Responsive pleadings: None filed

DISPOSITION

Action: Approved Action date: September 7, 2000 (We acted on Air Comet's request without awaiting expiration of the prescribed answer period with the consent of all parties served)

Effective dates of authority granted: September 7, 2000-September 7, 2001

Basis for approval (bilateral agreement/reciprocity): Air Transport Services Agreement between the United States and Spain

Except to the extent exempted/waived, this authority is subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations indicated:

X Air Comet's foreign air carrier permit (Order 99-12-9)

Special conditions/Partial grant/Denial basis/Remarks:

Action taken by: Paul L. Gretch, Director
Office of International Aviation

Under authority assigned by the Department in its regulations, 14 CFR Part 385, we found that (1) the applicant was qualified to perform the proposed operations; (2) immediate action was required and was consistent with Department policy; (3) grant of the authority was consistent with the public interest; and (4) grant of the authority would not constitute a major regulatory action under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975. To the extent not granted/deferred/dismissed, we denied all requests in the referenced Docket. We may amend, modify, or revoke the authority granted in this Notice at any time without hearing at our discretion.

Persons entitled to petition the Department for review of the action set forth in this Notice under the Department's regulations, 14 CFR § 385.30, may file their petitions within ten (10) days after the date of issuance of this Notice. This action was effective when taken, and the filing of a petition for review will not alter such effectiveness.

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